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For : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PAYING BILLS AND OTHER  
OBLIGATIONS INCLUDING SELECTIVE PAYOR AND PAYEE  
CONTROLS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the application at page 1, after the  
title, by inserting <sup>5917</sup> "This application is a divisional of  
previously filed application Serial No. 08/889,606, filed July 8,  
1997, now U.S. Patent 5,956,700, which is a divisional of  
application Serial No. 08/253,364, file June 3, 1994, now U.S.  
~~Patent 5,649,117~~

Please cancel claims 1-24, and insert new claims 25-88  
as follows:

25. A bill paying system, comprising  
storage for payee information for each of a plurality  
of payees,  
storage for payor information, the payor information  
including parameters established by a payor for enabling  
transfers of funds to a payee from the payor establishing the  
parameters,